

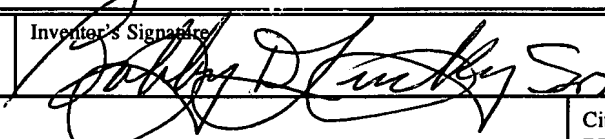
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As below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

my residence, post office address and citizenship are stated below next to my name; that I verily believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or joint inventors (if plural inventors are named below) of the invention entitled: **snow and ice melting device**, described and claimed in the attached specification, that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the attached specification, including the claims, that I do not know and do not believe the same was ever known or used in the United States of America before my or our invention thereof, or patented or described in any printed publication in any country before my or our invention thereof or more than one year prior to this application, that the same was not in public use or on sale in the United States of America more than one year prior to this application, that the invention has not been patented or made the subject of an inventor's certificate issued before the date of this application in any country foreign to the United States of America on an application filed by me or my legal representatives or assigns more than twelve months prior to this application, that I acknowledge my duty to disclose information of which I am aware which is material to the examination of this application, and that no application for patent or inventor's certificate on this invention has been filed in any country foreign to the United States of America prior to this application by me or my legal representatives or assigns.

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